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## CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH Request for City Commission Agenda

Agenda Date Requested: August 20, 2013

Contact Person: Amanda Martinez, Chief Planner, Planning & Zoning Division

Description: Adoption of the Deerfield Beach Complete Streets Guidelines.

Fiscal Impact: None

Budget Line Item Number and Title: Not applicable

Required Attachment: A Cover Memo from the Department Head to the City Manager further describing the request and providing back-up information and documents.

### THIS SECTION RESERVED FOR PROCESSING OF THE REQUEST

Ordinance

Resolution

Consent Agenda

#### Agenda Item Type

Presentation

Written Request

Public Hearing

Public Hearing Second Reading

Quasi-Judicial Public Hearing

General Item

**Comments:**

ITEM APPROVED FOR THE AGENDA:

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Planning & Development Services Department

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Burgess Hanson, City Manager

**FROM:** Amanda Martinez, Chief Planner - Current Planning

**DATE:** August 6, 2013

**SUBJECT: Deerfield Beach Complete Streets Guidelines**

In 2011, the City was one of 11 communities awarded a technical assistance grant from Smart Growth America to create and implement Complete Streets policies. Complete Streets are streets that are designed to accommodate all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users and motorists. A workshop conducted by Complete Streets experts was held in February of 2012 on the specific needs of Deerfield Beach and how to address them through implementing Complete Streets policies.

While the city was pursuing efforts to create Complete Streets policies, the Broward MPO also received a grant to create Complete Streets Guidelines to be used as a template for the 31 Broward municipalities to revise specifically for their city and adopt. The Broward MPO endorsed the Guidelines in July of 2012 and Broward County adopted the Guidelines in March of 2013.

The Complete Streets Guidelines are design guidelines that staff can use as a reference when designing street projects to ensure that all users are accommodated, including bicyclist, pedestrians and transit users. The chapters cover design guidelines for pedestrian crossings, pedestrian access, bicycle facilities, intersections and transit accommodations. The chapters also include guidelines for traffic calming, land use, and how to begin retrofitting Complete Streets elements into an already built roadway network.

For the past year, staff has been working on the Guidelines and we are pleased to be the first city in Broward County to bring Complete Streets Guidelines in front the Commission for adoption. For 9 months staff met monthly at Complete Streets Committee meetings to review each chapter in the Broward Complete Streets Guidelines and revise them to be specific to Deerfield Beach. Data was collected and mapped on existing bicycle and pedestrian facilities and the number of crashes involving pedestrians and bicyclists. All of this data will help determine the areas of the city where Complete Streets improvement can be made.

The Deerfield Beach Complete Streets Guidelines are attached on the enclosed CD. We will be coming forward in the future with changes to the Comprehensive Plan, revisions to the existing Traffic Calming policy and the Engineering Standards to include policies consistent with the Guidelines.

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Attachments

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013/**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH, FLORIDA ADOPTING COMPLETE STREETS GUIDELINES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, in 2011, the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida was one of eleven communities awarded a technical assistance grant from Smart Growth America to create and implement Smart Growth and Complete Streets policies; and

**WHEREAS**, Complete Streets are streets that are designed to accommodate all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users and motorists; and

**WHEREAS**, a workshop was held in February, 2012 by Complete Streets experts concerning the specific needs of Deerfield Beach and how to address them through implementing Complete Streets policies; and

**WHEREAS**, the Broward County Metropolitan Planning Organization received a grant to create Complete Streets guidelines to be used as a template for the 31 Broward County municipalities to revise specifically for their city and to adopt; and

**WHEREAS**, the Broward County Metropolitan Planning Organization endorsed the Complete Streets guidelines in July, 2012, and Broward County adopted the guidelines in March, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, The Deerfield Beach Complete Streets Guidelines are design guidelines that can be used as a reference by staff when designing street projects to ensure that all users are accommodated, including bicyclists, pedestrians, and transit users.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** Each and every Whereas clause set forth above is a true and correct recital and representation and is incorporated herein as if set forth fully.

**Section 2.** The Complete Streets Guidelines as presented by staff are hereby adopted.

**Section 3.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

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JEAN M. ROBB, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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ADA GRAHAM-JOHNSON, MMC, CITY CLERK

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